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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371  
IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed October 14, 2005, please find enclosed herewith the following items for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified patent application:

X Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney

X A copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371  
in the United States Designated/Elected Office

X A Certificate of Express Mail under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10.

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X The \$130.00 surcharge fee pursuant to 37 CFR. § 1.492(h).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

- Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16.
- Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.
- A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Please address all future correspondence in connection with this case to the attention of the undersigned.

DATED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December 2005.

Respectfully submitted,



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In re application of:

Harald Schmidt

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I hereby certify that the following documents are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December 2005:

- Response to Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (2 pgs. in duplicate)
- Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (3 pgs)
- A copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (2 pgs)
- Certificate of Express Mail under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10. (1 pg)
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Respectfully submitted,



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### NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 05/04/2005
- English Translation of the IA filed on 05/04/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 05/04/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 05/04/2005
- Copy of Annexes to the IPER filed on 05/04/2005
- English Translation of Annexes to the IPE filed on 05/04/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 05/04/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 05/04/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 05/04/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

#### SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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